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From: Hood, Rich
Sent: Wed 3/13/2013 9:03:14 PM
Subject: RE: letter to Rep Wagner: Westlake

Julie,

LaTonya will finalize in cms format.

Rich

From: Cacho, Julia
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2013 3:58 PM
To: Hood, Rich; Sanders, LaTonya
Subject: FW: letter to Rep Wagner: Westlake

Would you like me to finalize the letter below or LaTonya?

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From: Brooks, Karl
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2013 3:55 PM
To: Cacho, Julia
Cc: Hood, Rich; Tapia, Cecilia
Subject: letter to Rep Wagner: Westlake

Dear Rep W

Thank you for spending a solid, productive hour on March 12 with my Region 7 colleagues and me to discuss work this agency is doing at the Westlake Landfill site in Bridgeton, MO. My Superfund team appreciated your and your staff's probing, thoughtful questions. I hope we supplied useful information that helps you effectively represent your St. Louis area constituents.

As we promised in the call, we supplied your staff with the contact information for the Missouri Department of Natural Resources staff who manage that agency's responsibilities at the Inactive Sanitary Landfill (OU x), particularly its efforts to work with the Landfill's Potentially Responsible Parties (x, y, and z) to extinguish the fire and to ensure air emissions do not threaten public health. Reg 7 EPA is supporting MDNR's work, as the lead agency, because the state has delegated authority under [insert law] to permit, close, and remediate environmental threats at solid waste landfills. EPA's responsibility, by contrast, remains the radiological contamination at OU [insert].

I appreciate your concern for the ways in which EPA's work at Westlake Landfill will affect air traffic safety at St. Louis International Airport. My staff sent you, after our briefing, the letter REg 7 recently got from the Airport. Please be assured that this agency takes these safety concerns seriously as we refresh the scientific data needed to support my ultimate decision whether to reconsider and perhaps amend the 2008 Record of Decision that called for "capping in place" OUs [xx].

I enjoyed the opportunity to get to you know and look forward to meeting you in a future visit to St. Louis. Please feel free to contact [insert the usual here]

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